GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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INCREASE IN PRODUCTION OF GAS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Gas Authority of India is proposing to increase production of gas by exploring new wells and increasing production in the existing wells;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there are some sick wells in the country; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to restart production therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS & PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a): No, Sir. GAIL has participating interest in 11 exploration blocks of which one is overseas, viz., Myanmar offshore. None of the blocks are at the commercial production stage.

(b): Question does not arise.

(c): Yes Sir, as far as Private/Joint Ventures are concerned, 29 oil & gas sick wells are there.

(d): Sick wells are regularly worked over to revive them and start oi/gas production depending on their techno-economic feasibility.